

## WEST END CITIZENS TALK OF RESIGNING

May Split With Federated Association on the Prohibition Issue.

SMALL BODIES DOMINATE  
LARGER, SPEAKERS SAY

Accusation Made That "Drys" Will  
Not Allow "Wets" to Give Their  
Views at Meetings.

Whether or not the West End Citizens' Association is to withdraw from membership in the Federation of Citizens' Associations is to be determined at the next meeting of that organization. This was decided upon at a meeting last night, when immediate action was urged by some. It was finally decided that the best course would be to let the matter go over until the February meeting, when the members would be better informed on all matters.

The meeting, which was held in the Powhatan Hotel, was well attended. Just as the session was about to close alleged irregularities in the conduct of the business of the federated body were called to the attention of the members.

The Federation of Citizens' Associations was declared by Hugh F. Harvey to be an anti-saloon organization. He said it is dominated by the Anti-Saloon League and that when matters pertaining to the "dry" or "wet" question are taken up those who are on the "wet" side are "cut off" when they attempt to give their views on the matter.

Says Smaller Bodies Dominate.

"A number of associations have gone on record as opposing prohibition for the District of Columbia, and there is no sense belonging to a body which is dominated by the smaller associations on the outside," said Mr. Harvey. "They already virtually have prohibition in those places, and yet they are trying to force prohibition upon other sections."

The speaker directed attention to the admission of the Washington Civic Association and a certain citizens' association to membership in the Federation of Citizens' Associations. He declared the vote of the delegate from the West End Association, which he said, is ten times as large as that of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, and that the association withdrew its membership, was received and is to be voted upon at the next meeting.

Arranging for Annual Banquet.

The entertainment committee, of which Dr. Sotheron is chairman, reported that arrangements for the annual banquet to be held at the Powhatan Hotel, March 6, are being discussed.

The lighting system of Pennsylvania avenue between 17th street and Rock creek was denounced by several members. A resolution requesting the District Commissioners to install modern lights for that section was adopted. A resolution offered by Morris Hahn, calling on all business men along Pennsylvania avenue between 17th street and Rock creek to keep the lights in their store windows lighted until 10 o'clock at night, was adopted, and two members on each of the squares in that section were named to endeavor to have the merchants comply with the request.

"You can't get any cheaper advertisement," declared Hugh Harvey. "There are hundreds of people who stroll along the streets at night looking into the store windows, and when they come to your places of business and find the show windows dark, they put you down as being an up-to-date merchant. It is the man who shows his goods to the best of advantage who gets the business."

To Regulate Spigot Venders.

A police regulation which would compel persons endeavoring to sell spigots or other plumbing fixtures to a second-hand dealer to furnish an affidavit that he obtained them honestly, was urged by the association. The committee on legislation offered such a resolution and stated that many of the vacant houses of the city have from time to time been robbed of the plumbing fixtures.

The reflowing of the M Street bridge across Rock Creek was urged in a resolution by J. M. Woodward and is to be sent to the District Commissioners.

Upon a motion of Louis K. Siggins the board of education is to be requested to have free evening lectures on science, literature and history in the public schools at night. It was declared by Dr. Mark Finley, the president, that there are many scientific men in the government departments

who would be glad of the opportunity to tell the public some of their knowledge on such subjects.

Urge Grading and Paving.

The grading of 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d and 23d streets south of F to B street, and also the laying of sidewalks was urged in resolutions to be communicated to the Commissioners.

E. M. Foster introduced a resolution, which was adopted, urging the Commissioners to include in their next estimates to Congress an appropriation for the establishment of a gymnasium at McKinley Manual Training School. It was declared that this school is the only one of the high schools that has no gymnasium.

The campaign of the Red Cross for members was endorsed by the association and an effort to secure additional members for the society is to be made by members of the association.

New members were elected as follows: Dan E. O'Connell, H. G. Clenden, James McHenry, J. A. Artman, W. T. Keenan, I. Winston, E. J. Byrne, Charles T. Chick, Albert W. Tierney, C. W. Fredericks, D. L. Nunnally, S. S. Richards, John Loughran, A. A. Warfield and John E. Fiegel.

LABOR OPPOSES CHANGE  
IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

Central Union Against Placing All  
Authority in Hands of  
Commissioners.

Following addresses by Henry F. Blair, president of the board of education, and James F. Oyster, former president of the board, the Central Labor Union at a meeting last night voted to oppose the proposed change in the public school system of the District, recommended to Congress by the District Commissioners.

It was declared one of the reasons given by the Commissioners for desiring the change was that they are now responsible for the money spent on the school system, but have no voice in how it shall be spent. Mr. Blair declared, however, that every cent spent by the board of education is audited as closely by the District auditor as is any expenditure made by the Commissioners themselves.

Handles Little Money.

A delegate inquired of Mr. Blair how much money he had handled since he has been president of the board of education and was informed that it was about \$12 in cash and between 500 and 1,000 postage stamps. He explained that the money had been sent in anonymous communications by persons who had stolen books and other small articles from school buildings.

In voting to oppose the change in the system, the union declared the change would be detrimental to the best interests of the community and favored the continuance of the appointment of the members of the board of education by the judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. The resolution, furthermore, favored the giving the repairs of public school houses under its charge.

GOODS RELEASED BY RUSSIA.

Shipments to U. S. Now Permitted  
Valued at Over \$1,000,000.

More than millions dollars' worth of goods have been released for shipment from Russia under the agreement recently reached for the export of certain articles of merchandise desired by American importers and held in Europe by a Russian embargo.

Department of Commerce officials said today that the agreement, under which goods are consigned to the Secretary of Commerce to give guarantee against their re-exportation to the central powers, is working satisfactorily. A vast amount of goods is expected to come through the hands of the department by placing the repairs of public school houses under its charge.

QUESTIONS JURISDICTION.

Mrs. Dahis, Answering Divorce Suit,  
Says Husband Is Non-Resident.

A question of jurisdiction is raised in the answer filed today by Mrs. Clara R. Dahis to a suit for absolute divorce brought against her last month by Harry Dahis, an employee of the United States Navy, stationed at Annapolis. Mrs. Dahis avers that her husband is not entitled to sue in this District because, she alleges, he never has been a resident here since 1909. He is now living at Annapolis, she asserts.

Through Attorneys M. J. Colbert and C. J. Murphy the wife denies the charges of misconduct and desertion and makes a counter charge of desertion and claims that her husband refused to return to her, although frequently requested by her. She asks that the jurisdictional question be first disposed of by the court.

John R. Thompson, fifty-seven years, of Easton, Md., died there after an illness of less than a week of pneumonia.

## KEEP THE SCHOOLS FROM POLITICS, CRY

Congress Heights Improvement Association Sees Danger in Proposed Change.

SAYS PRESENT SYSTEM  
IS FULLY SATISFACTORY

Merit, Not "Pull," Should Dominate. It Is Declared, if Welfare of Community Is Preserved.

The Congress Heights Public Improvement Association, at a special meeting last night, unanimously placed itself on record as opposed to any of the proposed changes in the public school system of the District, and declaring that the propositions now before Congress would place the teachers, officers and employees at the mercy of politicians. The resolutions, expressing the feeling of the citizens, declared: "The people of the District of Columbia have been satisfied with the existing public school system mainly because the slime of politics has been excluded from it; teachers and employees, appointed solely upon their qualifications and general fitness, have felt secure in their positions so long as they faithfully and intelligently performed their duties; promotions have not been made at the behest of influence, and the children of the District have benefited by instruction from teachers not held in place by politicians, big or small, of any party."

Referring to the accessibility of the board of education to the people at all times, he said he did not think this was true of the Commissioners, whose doors were not open, as were the board's, for persons to walk in at any time and tell what they think and feel.

Sees Closed Door.

There is no valid ground for the proposed change, he urged, and the board of education was not even consulted by the Commissioners about the matter. The fact that the Commissioners had shifted ground on the question indicated that they were not familiar with the school question or with the sentiments of the people. The political dangers of the new propositions were serious and teachers would not feel any security if the new law was enacted as the Commissioners ask, he said.

Chance of Political Influence.

"This association, after listening to careful presentation of various sides of the question by eminent speakers, is strongly opposed to any of the propositions submitted to Congress for a change, feeling that all of these propositions furnish distinct opportunity for political influences to obtain control of our schools, thereby guaranteeing lack of confidence on the part of the public; casting aside merit and training for 'pull' and practically producing a demoralization that will be a serious detriment to the welfare of the community."

"The danger of our school system becoming an institution for payment of political obligations so far overshadows all other considerations and factors in this situation, we feel that we can safely appeal to broad-minded men in Congress to retain the existing laws and methods, and we hereby instruct the secretary of this association to forward to the proper committees of Congress this expression of our sentiments."

Advocates Centralization.

Before the adoption of the resolutions the association listened to speeches on the subject by Ernest H. Daniels, member of the board of education, and Prof. E. J. Ward, formerly of the University of Wisconsin, but now with the bureau of education. Prof. Ward did not go into a discussion of the local issues, but strongly advocated centralization of authority and responsibility in school affairs and declaring that this is the trend throughout the country. Divided responsibilities do

not make for school progress, he said. He discussed the school as a community center and told of the work that has been done in this direction throughout the United States. The public school plants should belong to the people and be at their disposal for club and meeting purposes. In New York city, he said, there has been a big development in that direction and California has enacted laws declaring every schoolhouse belonging to the state a civic center.

No Quarrel, He Says.

Mr. Daniels declared that there is no quarrel between the Commissioners and board of education. He had found the Commissioners willing to co-operate for the good of the public schools. Children should be taught by professional educators, he urged, but these educators should be corrected and staided at times by a board like that in the District, representing the people and responsible to them. The present board holds open sessions, he said, and every citizen can walk in and lay his grievances or ideas before the board, which felt that it held its commission from the people, inasmuch as the judges of the District Supreme Court named the members of the board after consulting the citizens.

No politics entered into the work of the board, he maintained, and everything was done for the good of the children of the District. The ideal thing, he declared, is to have the board of education directly elected by the people, but as this cannot be done he knew of no better way than for the members to be appointed by the District Supreme Court. The members of which live their lives in the District and become citizens here. Sometimes the judges might be appointed from outside the District, but when they went upon the bench they remained in the District until the end of their lives. They had the best interests of the people at heart.

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FEDERATION CRITICISED  
BY CENTRAL CITIZENS

Take Exception to Admission of  
Delegates From What They Term  
"Mushroom Organizations."

Severe criticism of the manner in which the business of the Federation of Citizens' Associations is conducted was made by speakers at a meeting of the Central Citizens' Association at the North Capitol Savings Bank building last night. Following, notice was

given that a proposition to withdraw from the federation would be considered at the next meeting. The entire sentiment of last night's meeting was in favor of withdrawal, but the members present desired to give the full membership a chance to voice its feelings.

The matter was brought before the association by Leo A. Rover, delegate to the federation, who, after citing two cases in which he said the federation had admitted delegates who had no right to be seated, tendered his resignation. Prior to taking this action he denounced vigorously the manner of conducting the affairs of the federation. He was followed by James A. Wood, delegate to the federation from another organization, who gave a minority report in the cases to which Mr. Rover had taken exception. Mr. Wood's criticism was none the less severe and he explained that he, too, intended to tender his resignation to the federation. M. J. McNamara, president of the Central Association, spoke in a spirited manner in expressing approval on behalf of the association of Mr. Rover's action.

Specific Cases Are Cited.

One of the two cases in question was the seating of a delegate purporting to come from a citizens' association representing Benning, or Benning and Kenilworth. This organization, it was claimed, was not known to the residents of the two places named, being distinctive from the Benning Citizens' Association. Both Mr. Rover and Mr. Wood characterized the Benning-Kenilworth organization as a "fake." The other case was that of the seating of a delegate from the East Washington Civic Association. In this instance it was claimed the organization's constitution did not set forth the objects of general civic improvement as required by the constitution of the federation from organizations eligible for representation, but was in truth not a citizens' association as generally recognized, being instead merely a temperance organization.

"The Federation of Citizens' Association was wrong in admitting these delegates; in fact, it was rotten, and I told them so to their face," said Mr. Rover. "I am sorry to say that I have lost every ounce of respect for it."

"I say to you that no self-respecting man would sit in that hall, and I should have been greatly surprised if Mr. Rover had not tendered his resignation," said Mr. Wood.

"I am very sorry that the Federation of Citizens' Association has turned out to be such an organization, but I have been deceived here tonight," said the president. "It is evident it is becoming choked up with a lot of individuals whose wishbones are where their backbones ought to be." He declared that the federation should seat delegates from "mushroom" organizations in which one man is the president, secretary and treasurer and the entire organization in order that he may get before the public.

Grievance of Lunchroom Men.

Protests against allowing outsiders to eat in the lunchroom of the city post office, thereby competing with private lunchrooms in the vicinity, were made by E. F. Rover. He was authorized to take whatever steps possible to stop all outsiders from being admitted there.

The association went on record as favoring a referendum in the District to ask if the people wanted prohibition. A request was also made that the House and Senate committees for the District should hold public hearings regarding prohibition before taking any steps to putting it in practice in the District.

The proposed change in the management of the District public schools, as outlined by the Commissioners, was brought up for consideration and is to be brought up at the next meeting.

Regret for the recent death of two members of the association, John Connor and David Riddan, was expressed, and John McMahon, Bernard F. Rover and Leo A. Rover were named as a committee to draw up suitable resolutions.

When police broke down the door of his room in Baltimore they found Robert J. Fagan, sixty-one years, dead on the floor and a small fortune in jewelry and bank deposits in the room.

PAIN AND ITS RELIEF

By DR. E. L. ABOGADO

Ours is not a nation of Stoics. We are not indifferent to pain. We abhor it. Be it ever so slight, we fume and fret until we get rid of it, because it annoys us—it interferes with our work and pleasure.

And if pain is severe, the pain of rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, gout or some acute nerve derangement, we are apt to regard it as a sufficient excuse for a hurried call at the doctor's office.

In the aggregate, the American people probably suffer more annoying, useless pain than any other people on the face of the earth. That is because of the intensity of our complex civilization—the strenuousness of our effort to secure dollars—the rapidity of our pace in pursuit of pleasure—the indulgence of our appetites.

Rich, poor, saint, sinner, stray from the straight, narrow path of nature's immutable law, until Pain is so universally present, so much of the time, that one can scarcely find a home, in any walk of life, in all this broad land, that is unacquainted with pain. Pain is so common that to see a frown is to bring forth the question, "Are you in pain?"

Despite the almost universal prevalence of pain in its various manifestations, it is a curious fact that some people dread to assume the responsibility of attempting to relieve themselves of it, almost as much as they dread the pain itself.

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The development of most diseases is heralded by pain and fever, and while in no sense a cure-all, anti-kamnia tablets are exceedingly useful in a large number of diseases.

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Gallon Can  
98c

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at the Table  
35c cans 23c

Van Houten's  
Cocoa  
1-lb. Cans  
63c

S. & J. Chest  
Protectors  
39c, 49c  
and 59c

Hygea Nursing  
Bottles  
8 oz. and 10 oz.  
2 for 25c

Martan  
Chocolates  
In Lb. Box  
29c

Arbuckle's  
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16c

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place where it is used.  
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Half-pound Cans  
13c

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Wear for Years  
69c

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Oil  
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Gallon Can  
98c

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Made in the Cup  
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63c

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39c, 49c  
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Hygea Nursing  
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